

Opening and Closing the Harford RACES Net

This document is not standalone. It is intended to be used with the Net Control Operator's Guidelines, and the Net Report, both separate documents.

Calling the HARFORD RADIO AMATEUR CIVIL EMERGENCY SERVICES NET. This is (Your Call). Is there any emergency or priority traffic? Please call now.

PAUSE FREQUENTLY DURING THE NET TO ALLOW FOR BREAKERS.

(Handle all emergency traffic first, priority traffic second. When complete, continue.)

This is the Harford County Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service Net, which is conducted on the **KC3FHC** repeater, and meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM local time. During times of declared disaster or emergency, or during official training and exercises like this Net, RACES communications are conducted on behalf of local, state and federal government agencies and are considered as official Governmental Communications. The purpose of this monthly Net is to call together the volunteers enrolled in Harford County RACES, for disseminating information regarding emergency communications, preparedness, and related topics of interest. This is a directed net, and all communication must go through the Net Control Station at all times. Tonight your Net Control Station is ______ (your call, name and location).

Is there an alternate net control on frequency? Please call now.

Do we have liaisons from any other nets? Please call now.

Stations with formal or informal traffic or announcements, please call now.

I will now stand by for regular net check-ins. Please give your call phonetically and slowly along with your name, location, and if you have traffic for the net.

(Dispatch traffic as necessary, then announcements, then other net business)

Final Call: This is (Your Call), net control. Final call for check-ins for the Harford RACES net, please call now.

Net Conclusion procedure

This is (Your Call), tonight's Harford County RACES net control station. We wish to thank all those who have participated in tonight's net. Harford County RACES also thanks the owners, trustees and control operators for the use of the **KC3FHC** repeater.

All stations may now secure from this net. This is (Your Call) closing the net at _____ (local time) and returning the repeater to regular Amateur Radio use.